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November 2, 2005

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Re:

13,250' Sand, Reservoir C

Deep Lake Field

Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Exxon Mobil Corporation to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing after legal notice to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relative to the 13,250' Sand, Reservoir C, Cameron Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 13,250' Sand, Reservoir C, located in Deep Lake Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana;
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the 13,250' Sand, Reservoir C, designated as the 13250' RC SU A, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation:
- 5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the 13,250' Sand, Reservoir C, Sand Unit A.

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The 13,250' Sand, in the Deep Lake Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 243-K, effective January 16, 1991.

In accordance with LAC 43:XIX.3917 (Rule 8) of the Revised Rules of Procedure, the Office of Conservation has waived the pre-application notice requirements and LAC 43:XIX.3907 (Rule 3) shall not apply.

A pre-hearing conference to discuss this application and any opposition thereto is scheduled for November 14, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. at the office of Strain, Dennis & Bates, L.L.P., 106 Heymann Boulevard, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503.

There is no requirement for the persons receiving this notice to attend or be represented at this conference. This is merely an invitation to all known interested parties to attend the conference should they so desire.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for posting of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plats in a prominent place in the area of Deep Lake Field. Additionally, the legal notice will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of Deep Lake Field, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

All pertinent data relating to this unit proposal may be obtained AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY from Charles G. Smith, 5743 S. Pollard Parkway, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (225) 767-2240.

A plat outlining the existing unit for the 13,250' Sand, Reservoir C, Sand Unit A in the Deep Lake Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana is attached hereto. Also enclosed to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager is a list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Copies of this list will be provided upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Also enclosed is our check payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

STRAIN, DENNIS & BATES, L.L.P.

James C. Bates

JCB/cmf encls.

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson

District Manager

Interested Parties
Interested Owners
Represented Parties

